law, the 1999 annual report; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8282. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Rural Utilities Services, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "7 CFR Part 1710, Subpart E: Load Forecasts" (RIN0572-AB05), received March 28, 2000; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8283. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Rural Utilities Services, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "7 CFR Part 1721: Post-Loan Policies and Procedures for Insured Electric Loans, Advance of Funds", received March 28, 2000; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8284. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Financial Assistance for Chesapeake Bay Stock Assessments to Encourage Research Projects for Improvement in the Stock Conditions of the Chesapeake Bay Fisheries" (RIN0648–ZA81), received March 28, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8285. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in the Statistical Area 620 of the Gulf of Alaska", received March 28, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

EC-8286. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The New Piper Aircraft, Inc. PA-31 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 99-CE-49 (3-23/3-27)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0178), received March 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-\$287. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Cessna Aircraft Company 150, 152, 172, 177, 180, 182, 185, 188, 206, 207, 210 and 337 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 97-CE-114 (3-22/3-23)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0167), received March 23, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-\$288. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Fairchild Aircraft Corporation SA226 and SA227; Docket No. 99–CE-52 (3–20/3–23)" (RIN2120–AA64) (2000–0171), received March 23, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8289. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Inc. Models DHC-6-1, DHC-6-100, DHC-6-200, and DHC-6-300 Airplanes; Docket No. 99-CE-44 (3-20/3-23)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0170), received March 23, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8290. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives;

Aerospatiale Model ATR42-200, ATR42-300, and ATR42-320 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 99-NM-94 (3-22/3-23)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0169), received March 23, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

EC-8291. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace Model BAe 146 and Avro 146-RJ Series; Docket No. 99-NM-347 (3-22/3-23)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0168), received March 23, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation

EC-8292. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A319, A320, A321, A330, and A340 Series Airplanes; Docket No. 99-NM-349 (3-23/3-27)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0178), received March 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8293. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; AlliedSignal ALF502 and LF507 Series Turbofan Engines; Docket No. 96-ANE-36 (3-23/3-27)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0175), received March 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8294. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter Deutschland GMBH Model MBB-BK 117 Helicopters; Docket No. 98-SW-77 (3-24/3-27)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0178), received March 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8295. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company CF34 Series Turbofan Engines; Correction; Docket No. 99-NE-49 (3-23/3-27)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0177), received March 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8296. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Model SA330f, SA330G, SA330J, AS332C, AS332L, AS332L1, and AS332L2; Request for Comments; Docket No. 2000–SW-06 (3-24/3-27)" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000–0174), received March 27, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-450. A resolution adopted by the Council of the Borough of South River, Middlesex County, New Jersey relative to Medicare; to the Committee on Finance.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated: By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. KYL, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 2328. A bill to prevent identity fraud in consumer credit transactions and credit reports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself and Mr. HUTCHINSON):

S. 2329. A bill to improve the administration of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service of the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

> By Mr. ROTH (for himself, Mr. Mur-KOWSKI, Mr. ROBB, Mr. NICKLES, and Mr. MACK):

S. 2330. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on telephone and other communication services; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HOLLINGS:

S. 2331. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to recalculate the franchise fee owed by Forth Sumter Tours, Inc., a concessioner providing services to Fort Sumter National Monument, South Carolina; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. GRAMS:

S. 2332. A bill to amend the Agricultural Market Transition Act to permit a producer to lock in a loan deficiency payment rate for a portion of a crop; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 2333. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to grant the food and Drug Administration the authority to regulate the manufacture, sale, and distribution of tobacco and other products containing nicotine, tar, additives, and other potentially harmful constituents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. L. CHAFEE (for himself and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 2334. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend expensing of environmental remedication costs for an additional 6 years and to include sites in metropolis statistical areas; to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. L. CHAFEE:

S. 2335. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Army to carry out a program to provide assistance in the remediation and restoration of brownfields, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 2336. A bill to authorize funding for networking and information technology research and development at the Department of Energy for fiscal years 2001 through 2005, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SANTORUM (for himself and Mr. KYL):

S. 2337. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals a refundable credit against income tax for the purchase of private health insurance, and to establish State health insurance safety-net programs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. REED, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. ROBB, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. DODD, and Mr. DASCHLE).

S. 2338. A bill to enhance the enforcement of gun violence laws; to the Committee on the Judiciary.